

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 88

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARPENTER

A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Tristan Murray Vessel.

WHEREAS, it is with immense sadness and profound regret that the House of Representatives has learned of the untimely passing of Tristan Murray Vessel; and

WHEREAS, Tristan was a senior at Zachary High School; he had a 4.875 GPA and had applied to and received letters of acceptance from the University of Texas at Austin, the University of California at San Diego, and Louisiana State University; he had recently accepted admission into the University of Texas at Austin and planned to major in neuroscience; and

WHEREAS, Tristan was a member of the National Honor Society, the National Society of High School Scholars, the Zachary High School swim team, and the Tiger Aquatics swim team; and

WHEREAS, Tristan began competitive swimming in 2014 at Americana YMCA in Zachary, Louisiana, when he was just nine years old; he joined Tiger Aquatics's Zachary satellite in 2015 and transferred to the Louisiana State University Natatorium in 2016; he regularly practiced between eighteen and twenty-two hours each week and even completed additional workouts when he was not competing; and

WHEREAS, most recently, Tristan was awarded the Zachary High School Swim Team MVP award for 2021-2022 school year; he set school records in the 200-yard freestyle and 500-yard freestyle events; and

WHEREAS, Tristan was committed to diversity and inclusion in swimming, and he was passionate about creating opportunities for all children; additionally, he attended the

2019 USA Swimming Southern Zone Diversity Camp at the University of South Carolina and the Southern Zone Senior Championships in 2019 and 2021; and

WHEREAS, Tristan planned to continue his impressive competitive swimming career in college and had a tryout scheduled in July; he was a genuine academic with exceptional intelligence and a passion for learning; he also cherished his time with his friends, family, and teammates; he will be deeply missed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Tristan Murray Vessel and does hereby extend sincere wishes that his family and friends find comfort in his memory during this extremely difficult time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Tristan Murray Vessel.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES